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Letter dated 25 November 1993 from the Coordinator for the International Year of the Family addressed to the Assistant Secretary-General for Human Rights

In its resolution 47/237 of 20 September 1993, entitled "International Year of the Family" the General Assembly requested "the Commission on Human Rights, the Population Commission and the Commission on the Status of Women to include in the agendas of their sessions in 1993 and 1994 consideration of the principles and objectives of the Year in the context of their major areas of concern, and to propose specific follow-up measures regarding human rights, population issues and the advancement of women as each affects or is affected by families, including family-oriented components of the World Conference on Human Rights, held at Vienna from 14 to 25 June 1993, the International Conference on Population and Development, to be held at Cairo from 5 to 13 September 1994, the World Summit for Social Development, to be held at Copenhagen from 6 to 12 March 1995, and the Fourth World Conference on Women: Action for Equality, Development and Peace, to be held at Beijing from 4 to 15 September 1995".

Also, the Third Ad Hoc Inter-Agency Meeting on the International Year of the Family, held from 10 to 12 March 1993, adopted Recommendation 3 (document ACC/1993/8), which reads:

> "Family issues and the International Year of the Family should be adequately taken into consideration in the preparatory processes for forthcoming major international events, particularly the World Conference on Human Rights (1993); the World Summit for Social Development (1995); the Fourth World Conference on Women: Action for Equality, Development and Peace (1995); and the Ninth United Nations Congress on the Prevention of Crime and the Treatment of Offenders (1995)."

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In bringing the foregoing decisions to your attention, I wish to request you kindly that appropriate action be taken with regard to programme elements under your management, with a view to including family-oriented and IYF components in the work of the Commission your office is servicing as well as in the proceedings and the follow-up to the relevant world conference under your responsibility.

The Secretariat for the International Year of the Family shall be glade to assist in implementing the mandates of General Assembly resolution 47/237 and Inter-Agency Recommendation 3 in any way you deem it appropriate. The subject will also be discussed at the forthcoming Fourth Ad Hoc Inter-Agency Meeting on the IYF, to convene in Vienna on 28 March 1994.

(Signed) Henryk J. Sokalski